

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Union)
Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE for)
Permission and Approval and a Certificate of)
Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing)
It to Acquire, Construct, Install, Own, Operate,)
Maintain and Otherwise Control and Manage)
Electric Production and Related Facilities In or)
Near the Village of Champ and the City of)
Maryland Heights, Missouri)

Case No. EA-2010-0216

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO GRANT CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND
NECESSITY**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), by and through counsel, and submits to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) its Recommendation to grant Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE) a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity, and respectfully states the following:

1. On January 19, 2010, AmerenUE filed an application requesting the Commission's permission and to approve a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing it to acquire, construct, install, own, operate, maintain and otherwise control and manage electric production and related facilities in or near the Village of Champ and the city of Maryland Heights, Missouri.

2. On January 22, 2010, the Commission issued it *Order Directing Notice, Setting Intervention Deadline and Directing Status Update*. No party requested intervention in this matter.

3. In the attached Memorandum (Appendix A), Staff presents its examination, analysis and recommendation that the Commission issue an order granting AmerenUE the Certificate of Convenience and Necessity it requests in its *Application*. The Commission's order

should state that a determination as to the appropriate ratemaking treatment for these facilities will not be made at this time.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends that the Commission issue an Order granting AmerenUE the Certificate of Convenience and Necessity it requests in its *Application*.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 4th day of May 2010.

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